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PARTISANISM VS. FAIRNESS.

The Kentucky Irish American has eschewed partisan politics, leaving the politicians to their fight. It is only when partisanism has developed into bigotry or personal injustice, or sought to mislead our people into a course unjust and detrimental to themselves, that we have interposed to expose the falsehood or defend the individual. We are the organ of no political party, owe none of them anything and expect nothing from them. Politically we are "independent as a hog on ice." We are fully aware that politicians and those whose interests are political or whose partisanism blinds their judgment and blunts their sense of right have disapproved and even denounced our course. For this we care nothing, except so far as they may tend to influence others in their effort to serve their political masters, though he whose only argument is denunciation generally has a poor case.

Our defense, if it can be called a defense, of Col. John H. Whallen has been criticised to some extent by individuals, who, not content with disapproving our course, have exaggerated, misrepresented and added thereto, and heaped abuse upon us and Col. Whallen. Now, we know that many of those zealous advocates of the cause of those under whom they hold their petty political offices, contracts or jobs, owe their all to the friendship and influence of Col. Whallen in days gone by, and in their denunciation of him only prove themselves ingrates as well as subservient tools to those who have no love for the Irish, and will apply a vigorous kick when they have no further use for them. Of this they will in due time have indisputable proof, as the scheme is already under way, since the new allies of their masters must be rewarded by something more than has been done for them.

But as to Col. Whallen. In politics he is a politician as shrewd as the shrewdest. So long as the attacks on him were political it was none of our affair and we did not interfere. But the present effort to besmirch and injure Col. Whallen, while due to partisan politics, is not political nor prompted by politics; it is bigoted malice undertaken to gratify the anti-Irish element recently brought into the camp of the Democratic (?) managers of this city. This element, which for a time controlled the Republicans locally, and was kicked out, after floundering around have landed, and as is developed by investigation played an unsavory part in the last election in this city. Whallen they hate, and delight in anything to his detriment—not because of his politics, but because of his nationality and religion. It is time the Irish, regardless of politics, should know this.

Col. Whallen has no interest whatever in this paper. He owes us nothing. We have not always agreed with him politically. But, politics aside, Col. Whallen, as a man, a citizen, in business, in charity, in his relations with his fellow men, is the peer of any; and in integrity, worth and benefit to the community, is the superior of no small number of his traducers—but he is Irish, and that is enough to justify any assault upon him, if he dares to differ with and refuses to aid the schemes of those who now denounce and would persecute him, though not long ago they sought at his advice and assistance in every undertaking.

There may be grounds for the charges against Col. Whallen, but

the courts will settle that, and Col. Whallen is, as he has always been, anxious for a speedy trial. The animus has been shown by his enemies in exaggerating and misrepresenting the case and in striving in every way to defer a trial, deprive him of every right and opportunity under the law and to humiliate and humiliate him. Their charge of bribery has, after hearing only the prosecuting evidence, resulted in an indictment for "conspiring to attempt bribery," a misdemeanor, and his bond reduced from \$10,000 to \$1,000. But even with this he is denied a trial till next Thursday, and it is now known it will not occur then.

The same effort and every technicality that able attorneys could devise have been applied to defer even an examining trial of Senator Harrel, whom Whallen is charged with attempting to bribe, and whom Whallen charges with obtaining money under false pretenses. His hearing is set for the 27th, but it is not likely to occur then. The whole scheme is plain—to subject Col. Whallen to the humiliation and odium of a criminal under charges without the opportunity to prove his innocence or the guilt of the man who accused him, and all for the sake of gaining some political advantage and gratifying the bigotry of the new recruits, who are also led to expect to fill the positions held by some of those Irishmen now joining in condemnation of Whallen.

MAY CAUSE A STRIKE.

We hope not, but it is just such action on the part of employers that causes most of the serious labor troubles. We allude to the arbitrary refusal of the Louisville City Railway Company officials to meet and confer with representatives of their employees concerning matters mutual between them—despite all assumption to the contrary, as much the business of the employees as of the company, for both are interested therein. The employees presented their request as to hours, wages, etc., in a respectful way, and the reply of the company was equally so. So far so good. But the subsequent refusal of the company's officials to meet the representatives of the employees, who do not consider the answer satisfactory, is not only improper, but it is unjust to the employees who have been faithful, have conducted themselves orderly and respectfully, and it is wrong from every standpoint in this country and contrary to every sense of right of the American people.

President Minary's reasons, which he states are those of the Directors, are not sufficient to justify their position nor their course. They claim that their duty is to manage the affairs of the company for the stockholders who elected them. True, and they properly exercise the right to speak and act for the stockholders. While not specifically denying the right of their employees to organize and act jointly, they do so in effect when refusing to meet and confer with representatives selected and authorized by their employees. The Directors rightfully protest against interference with its business by outsiders, but an employee is not an outsider, and is fully entitled by law and justice to a hearing and a voice so far as his relations with the company are concerned.

The denial of this right has always caused trouble because it is denying a legal and just right. It is a violation of law, if not in letter in spirit, and such lawlessness is a disgrace against Col. Whallen, but

resorts to violence, and is the chief impetus to the spread of socialism and anarchy, and the sentiment against corporations, which enjoy privileges under the law and use their power to deprive others of their legal rights. The right of the employees to be heard through their representatives is precisely the same right on which President Minary and the Directors speak and act for the stockholders—that they have been selected and authorized to do so. If President Minary means that the employees have no right to select and authorize others to represent them, then he denies to them a right exercised by the stockholders of the company, utterly ignoring the law, which makes no distinctions, but recognizes all men as free and equal—and in this country all employees are men with rights equal to the employer. This point has been fully settled so far as the sentiment of the public is concerned. It is true it has cost much of money, hardship, loss of property, life and limb, but after all it had to be conceded by those who denied it, and we are, indeed, sorry to note that the officials of the Louisville City Railway Company are among those antiquated, behind the times, and still refusing to see and understand the progressive phase of the labor question, based upon justice and reason, resulting in peace, mutual respect and co-operation of employer and employee, but prefer to adhere to the ancient idea of master and man—the man silently and patiently subservient to the master's will.

We hope the railway officials will be induced to forego their ultimatum and treat their employees with the courtesy and justice they deserve. If their requests are unjust or unreasonable, or would be injurious to the interests of the company, a friendly conference will easily demonstrate it, the requests will be modified, the grievances explained away or remedied, all trouble avoided, and the relations of the company with its employees become cordial, all feel that their interests are mutual, confident that each will treat the other fairly, and there will be harmony and good will, with a sense of security against strikes or lockouts, the cause for which will be removed.

There can be no harm come from the company agreeing to receive and confer with representatives of its employees and amicably settling differences. Much harm, not only to the company, but to the city and its people, may come from its persisting in its refusal to do so, the entire blame for which will rest upon the officials of the railway company. And with all due regard for their rights as a corporation, they have not the right to force a strike, with its attendant inconvenience, loss, disturbance of the peace and menace to life and property of the community, merely to carry out their idea that their employees must accept what is given them without question.

Poor old England! Having spent \$100,000,000 and lost 10,000 men, with only disaster to show for it in the Boer war, she now calls for another \$100,000,000 and recruits. And having "accepted" volunteers from Canada and Australia, she will "accept" more colonial volunteers and Canada is called upon to appropriate \$3,000,000 to equip and maintain her volunteers.

A rumor that a part of Buller's force has crossed Tugela river has set London wild with enthusiasm. It takes little sometimes to enthuse a fellow with the blues. Further results may prove that it would have been better not to cross Tugela river—it was so the other time Buller sent a force across that river, most of them failing to return.

The magnetism of "British successes in South Africa" has worn off and fail to revive the depression in London stock market. Now the censor reports "no news" from day to day, and the stock speculators are on the ragged edge. A real Irish victory is all that is needed to bring them back to the market.

Just wait till the yeomanry get to Africa—those duds who claim proficiency as horsemen in fox hunts and as marksmen in shooting snowbirds. Each of them has an outfit of clothing and toilet articles that suggest a pleasure trip. They will prove novelties for the Boers—if the yeomanry ever get in reach of the enemy.

Father Sheehy should be greeted by the largest audience ever assembled in Library Hall on Tuesday evening, January 30. None have endured more hardships for love of the old land than he, who was imprisoned for his devotion to the national cause. His views of Ireland and Boreland make one feel they were there again.

The Kentucky Irish American was honored with a call from William Mahone, National President of the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employees. He is an honor to the organization he represents, and we sincerely trust his mission here may be crowned with success.

Even Italy calls England down for seizing an Italian ship loaded with sulphur, claiming sulphur is not contraband—a point so decided in the late Spanish-American war, when Spain had to eliminate it from her list of contraband subject to seizure.

The turnout of Hibernians over the river last Sunday will remain a pleasant memory in the minds of all who participated. Our Hoosier brethren did nobly. May their success continue.

There are some city officials in Frankfort trying to swear away the vote of Louisville in the last election, who may find it hard for them to get that vote in the future when they want it.

Those who fail to hear Eugene V. Debs this evening will make a serious mistake. His lecture on "Labor and Liberty" can not be equaled by any one now before the public.

An interesting article from the pen of Col. R. M. Kelly on the history of the famous Irish Brigade of one hundred years ago will appear in our columns next week.

KEEP TOOTING.

If you toot your little tooter and then lay aside your horn, There's not a soul in ten short days will know that you were born. The man who gathers pumpkins is the man who plows all day, And the man who keeps a humping is the gent who makes it pay. The man who advertises with a short and sudden jerk Is the man who blames the printer because it didn't work. The gent who gets the business has a long and steady pull, And keeps the local paper for years and years quite full. He plans his advertisements in a thoughtful, honest way, And keeps forever at it until he makes it pay. He has faith in all the future, can withstand a sudden shock, And like the man of Scripture, has his business on a rock. —[Kingsley Times.]

SECRET OF A HAPPY LIFE.

One secret of a sweet and happy Christian life is learning to live by the day. It is the long stretches that tire us. We think of life as a whole, running on for us. We can not carry this until we are three score and ten. We can not fight this battle continually for half a century. But really there are no long stretches. Life does not come to us all at one time; it comes only a day at a time. Even tomorrow is never ours till it becomes today, and we have nothing whatever to do with it but to pass down to it a fair and a good inheritance in today's work well done and today's life well lived. It is a blessed secret, this of living by the day. Any one can carry his burden, however heavy, till tonight. Any one can do his work, however hard, for one day. Any one can live sweetly, patiently, lovingly, purely, till the sun goes down. And this is all that life ever really means to us—just one little day. "Do today's duty; fight today's temptations, and do not weaken and distract yourself by looking forward to things you can not see, and could not understand if you saw them." God gives us nights to shut down the curtain of darkness on our little days. We can not see beyond. Short horizons make life easier, and give us one of the blessed secrets of brave, true, holy living.

THE BEST SHE COULD DO.

"Oh! Angelica, if you only knew how I love you you would not be so formal with me. Call me Fred, darling; call me 'dearest'!" "But dear, Mr. Fred," replied Angelica, "I can't do that. I must call you 'Mr. Fred'."

SOCIETY.

John Kerberg spent the week in Bardstown, mingling business with pleasure.

Miss Bettie Cook spent last week visiting Miss Eleanor Wickliffe in Bardstown.

Miss Mary Agnes Mattingly, of Bardstown, was here this week visiting friends.

Miss Ida Raidy was one of the lucky prize winners at the euchre given by Trinity Council.

James Reagan, the popular saloonist, paid his first visit to West Baden Springs this past week.

Henry Brown has this week been enjoying the benefits to be derived at West Baden Springs.

The Crownwell Club will entertain its friends with another enjoyable dance Thursday evening.

Richard Tafel, the well-known jeweler, was among the Louisvilleans at West Baden Springs this week.

Miss Carrie Fitzgerald will leave next week for a protracted visit with friends in Richmond and Chicago.

Miss Allie Moore, one of Midway's prettiest girls, was here this week visiting her sister, Mrs. Joseph Bryan.

Jack McQuese was in Limerick Sunday afternoon visiting his friends. If he missed any Jack has not heard of them so far.

Miss Daisy O'Brien, who has been spending the winter with friends in this city, has returned to her home in Milwaukee.

Officer Mike Hogan's friends say that he is always anxious to watch a particular beat, because of a pretty little widow who lives on it.

Miss Mildred Kelly, one of the society favorites of Pittsburgh, spent the week here as the guest of Miss Mary Agnes Thompson.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of Mackin Council are preparing a dance for the near future that will be the event of the West End social season.

George Dehler, Jr., the successful hardware merchant, and several of his friends paid a visit to West Baden Springs this week.

Miss Marguerite Burke left Tuesday for her home near Jeffersontown, after spending several weeks with Mrs. Robert Burke in Portland.

The many friends of Mrs. Van Roenn will regret to learn that she has been confined to her residence on Portland avenue, owing to illness.

Miss Lillie Schreiber was elected President of the Ladies' Auxiliary of Mackin Council Monday evening. She will carry the honor gracefully.

Mr. B. J. Dawson has returned from New Haven, where he went to be present at the wedding of his cousin, Richard Dawson, which occurred Wednesday.

Those of Fred Dettinger's friends who were willing to bet a short time ago that he would always be a bachelor are now trying to hedge and bet the other way.

Mrs. Thomas Cody, of West Jefferson street, spent the past week in Lexington as the guest of Mrs. William J. Murphy, wife of the General Manager of the Queen & Crescent.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Shanahan and son are in Chicago, the guests of Mrs. Shanahan's parents. They will visit Duluth and other cities in the Northwest before their return.

Thomas Cody, the popular representative of the Senn & Ackerman Brewing Company, returned this week from Lexington, where he spent several days visiting friends and former associates.

Miss Marie Louise Fackler, the first lady member of the Catholic Knights of America, was recently presented with a handsome gold ring, fittingly inscribed, as a memento of the pleasant event.

Will Schnell and Mike Mahive will have a hard time losing their brother members the next time there is a Tibetan meeting in New Albany, as those two slipped away from the crowd last Sunday to call on some young ladies.

Mrs. Ben Corrigan, Underhill street, has returned from Philadelphia, where she spent the last six weeks visiting relatives and friends. Mrs. Corrigan was the recipient of marked social attention, several receptions being held in her honor.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Leo Club will give a euchre at Music Hall Wednesday afternoon and night, January 24. The proceeds are to be used for a worthy cause. Handsome prizes will be awarded. There will be a dance after the night euchre.

Dame Rufus has it that Charles Krenner, of Jeffersonville, will shortly wed one of the prettiest Irish girls in New Albany. The lucky groom-to-be is associated with the Normans and is popular with the merchants and all others doing business in the vicinity of Fourth and Main streets.

Miss Mayme Fitzpatrick, one of the prettiest and most popular young ladies in the West End, contemplates leaving for the East shortly, for the purpose of completing her musical education. She is the possessor of a voice of exceptional force and beauty, and besides is a performer of rare ability.

The Record says Mrs. Garrett Lee gave a bowling party Thursday evening in honor of Mrs. M. J. McChesney, of this city, who spent the week visiting relatives and friends in Bardstown. About

sent and all had a delightful time. A palatable supper was served after the completion of the bowling contests.

Carls are out for the wedding of Miss Cecilia Beatty and Edward Andler, which occurs at the Cathedral on Wednesday afternoon, January 31, at 4 o'clock. The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Beatty, West Chestnut street, noted for her charming manner and amiable disposition. Mr. Andler is one of the leading young men of Sedalia, Mo., where they will make their home after February 15.

That was an enjoyable evening, Monday January 15, which was spent by a few friends at the pleasant home of Mr. James Wolfe, Eight and Oldham. Music and song added their charm and the "festive hours on golden wings" sped rapidly away. Mrs. Wolfe is a superb hostess. Nothing is left undone for her friends to have a truly delightful time, and these small reunions are to those who participate in them bright and cheery spots in the journey of life.

The marriage of Miss Bertha Bachmann and John Moeller will take place at the residence of the bride's parents Wednesday afternoon. The bride-elect, who is the charming daughter of Councilman Bachmann, is quite a favorite in East End German society circles. Mr. Moeller is one of the firm of Moeller Bros., at Hancock and Gray streets, and the announcement will be read with pleasure by his large number of friends. A reception and wedding dinner will follow the ceremony, after which the newly wedded couple will leave for the East, where they will spend their honeymoon.

THE SHAN VAN VOCHT.

[ONE HUNDRED YEARS LATER.]
"England says I'm dying fast!"
Sings the Shan Van Vocht!
"That my days of strength are past,"
Sings the Shan Van Vocht!
"For my sons no more unite
In the sacred cause of right,
But are weary of the fight,"
Says the Shan Van Vocht!
"Oh, wishes are not facts!"
Laughs the Shan Van Vocht!
"Oh, intentions would be acts,"
Says the Shan Van Vocht!
"Not for England's loud applause!
Nor for dread of penal laws!
Would they e'er forsake my cause!"
Says the Shan Van Vocht!
"Until freedom lose her charm,"
Says the Shan Van Vocht!
"And slavery its alarm,"
Says the Shan Van Vocht!
"Young blood shall run as high
As in Brian's veins gone by,
When he forced the Danes to fly!"
Says the Shan Van Vocht!
"True, the wind of heaven's breath,"
Sobs the Shan Van Vocht,
"Often times seem charged with death,"
Sobs the Shan Van Vocht,
"Even now it may bestow
Its traitor's kiss of woe
On the plains of fair Mayo!"
Sobs the Shan Van Vocht.
"But I know the day must break,"
Cries the Shan Van Vocht!
"When for motherland's dear sake,"
Cries the Shan Van Vocht!
"All mine exiled sons shall stand,
Hearts on fire, swords in hand,
To do battle for the land
Of the Shan Van Vocht!"
—[ANNIE O'REILLY.]

WALKING.

As sensible men and women give more and more time and thought to the care of their health, walking steadily grows in favor. There is only one way to keep well and that is to exercise rationally. And of all the forms of exercise walking gives the best results with the least interference with those mental activities which are or ought to be the chief occupation of every civilized being. A man who eats two meals a day, going out at midday, not for luncheon, but for a walk, will not have a "family physician."

USEFUL HINTS.

If a dish of cold water is kept in a cake box it will keep the cake clear and moist. The water should be renewed every twenty-four hours.
Never scald woollens. Wash in warm soap suds, rinse in lukewarm water twice. Stretch lengthwise, repeating at intervals while drying to prevent shrinking.
To prevent rugs from curling at the corners bind them on the under edge with a piece of narrow webbing like that used to keep furniture aprons in place.
The finest of manicure acids is made by putting a teaspoonful of lemon juice in a cupful of warm water. This removes most stains from the fingers and nails and loosens cuticle more satisfactorily than can be done by the use of a sharp instrument.
Eggs contain a large amount of nutriment in a compact, quickly available form. Eggs, especially the yolks of eggs, are useful in jaundice. Beaten up raw with sugar, are used to clear and strengthen the voice. With sugar and lemon juice the beaten white of eggs is used to relieve hoarseness.
Gloss for shirt fronts is made as follows: Pound two ounces of fine, white gum arabic to a powder, put it in a pitcher and pour over it one pint of boiling water. Carefully pour from the pitcher into a clean bottle. Cork it and keep for use. One tablespoon stirred into a pint of starch produces a lovely gloss on linen and is quite harmless to the materials.

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Get a large sheet or tablecloth and a small feather. Have the company take hold of the edges of the sheet and form a ring. Then some one blows the feather into the air and all must do their part to keep it in the air and not let it touch any one, and so it is blown from one side to another, while the efforts made to keep it floating are very funny. Sometimes, in the excitement of trying the feather up, some one will forget all about holding the sheet and let it fall.

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Miss Emma Hermann, the daughter of Mr. Joseph Hermann, President of the Sinking Fund, has become a pupil of Loretto Academy, Marion county, Ky. She is a most estimable young lady and has entered one of the finest institutions in this section of the Union. When old Boreas has hied himself to northern latitudes and spring and summer smile on vale and dell Miss Hermann will find how delightful are Loretto's woods and flowers, and how inexpressibly kind and devoted are the cultured Lorettes.

If the worthy Senator Harrel had been offered a couple of hundred dollars for his 'florence during the past glorious Democratic campaign his name might not now be illuminating the daily papers. But thousands! That was more than he could stand. His conceit kept on swelling till he finally burst into "owning up" to his importance. He knew that when he walked back home his constituency would be wondering "what on earth" all that money came from. There's an old saying that "Tis well to take time by the forelock," so Senator Harrel bethought himself of it.

Much censure is being bestowed on the trailing skirt so dear to most women. In England the short walking length is usually preferred and mostly worn. But beautiful, coquettish France adores the long, graceful folds of the flowing train. Right now it is condemned from a hygienic standpoint, inasmuch as it picks up all kinds of dirt containing microbes of various diseases. Diphtheria, typhoid and other germs are caught up by it in its travels through the city, but even so it has such a hold on the feminine heart that it is not apt to be given up until it has run its course. Most fashions are replaced after four or five seasons. That is conceded to be the limit of duration of any particular style, no matter how popular it was at first. Long skirts were originally intended only for carriage wear, but the vogue was soon caught up by every one, whether possessed of a carriage or not. Dame Fashion is a fickle creature, and we may expect soon to see the trailing skirt replaced by the sensible but not so graceful walking length.

The Schreiners issued a "pastorale" to be read in as many churches as would accept it in New York last Sunday. In this open letter to the people the Schreiners called upon all nations to recognize the hand of God in the destruction which they, the Schreiners, call down upon the Boers. They see only wisdom, greatness and happiness in the Government of England and can not understand why the Boer wishes to be free from the glorious British dominion. Self-constituted prophets, they speak of God and His judgments as though they formed part of His court and were so intimate with the Universal Lord that they could cry out as prophets and ministers of His. If the Schreiners were living during the Rebellion in 1776 they would have worked against the Colonists as they are now doing against the Boers. Bishop Ryan, of Allou, three weeks ago wrote a grand address to the liberty-loving farmers of the Transvaal, in which he urged them out to heroic deeds to preserve their freedom and bade them a hearty Gospel, to which every nation that looks for right will say amen.

The latest interesting thing in the metropolis is an academy and training school for young women about to be married. The most important subject taught is the proper management of husbands. We often see "Hints to Wives" written by some good-natured spinster who is mostly guessing at what she tells us, but this time the education and instruction are imparted by one who has "been there," and she ought to know. This school is a good beginning for the incoming century. But in its curriculum there must be more exceptions to the rules than can be found in all ancient or modern grammars. The moods and tempers, for instance, would form a course by themselves. Just imagine the numberless adjectives and adverbs these brides must learn in order to apply them in season. A good number of "common nouns" will have to be inserted in this new study, because if Benedict gets home late at night and isn't able to give a satisfactory account of himself she will need a good command of words in order to even up. As for interjections, she is likely to be bothered with too many of them in course of time, so she doesn't need to learn any at first.

There are seldom to be found Irishmen like Capt. O'Neill Murphy, who fought a duel last week with the editor of a Parisian newspaper because of a caricature of Queen Victoria which had appeared a few days before with the editor's consent. Perhaps Murphy has not seen any of the Queen's photographs of recent years, or he should have kept his head. At all events he would have kept his name, either of which has given him a glory to the possessor, had he given some of the New York toadies a chance to rush to mortal combat to resent the audacity of the Parisian editor and thereby relieve our country of at least one Anglo-maniac. How an Irishman bearing the honorable name of either O'Neill or Murphy could so far forget himself is inexplicable unless to himself. He is by far the most infamous freak of the new year.

Irish Catholics all over the world should aid in every manner the cause of the Boers. Not through hatred for British rule—that alone would be sufficient. But in all their dealings with the Dutch Government Catholics and Irishmen have been well treated. The Catholic church and convent in Pretoria are built on money presented by the Transvaal Government to the church. Priests and nuns are well treated and the church is well supported.

and letters from missionaries there have uniformly shown that the constitution of the republic guarantees religious equality. Dr. Leyds, plenipotentiary of the Boers in Europe, is a Catholic; Dr. Farrelly, Government advisor on international law, is an Irish Catholic; Chevalier O'Donohue, Vice Chairman of the Johannesburg Corporation, Irish Catholic; Mr. Hogan, Secretary to the Commandant General, Irish Catholic. One-fourth of the Transvaal civil service are Catholics. The number of Catholics holding office under the British is so small that it is not worth while mentioning them, yet three-fourths of the population in Ireland alone are Catholics. President Kruger was not compelled to take the cowardly oath that Queen Victoria has taken: That the tenets of the Catholic faith "are false and idolatrous." His large mind and simple, honest manners never allowed him to crush the weak nor despise the lowly. All are recognized and protected and have equal claims and equal shares with the honest burghers of the Transvaal, and they should have the sympathy and aid of all fair-minded people, but most of all of the Catholic Irish in every land under the sun.

The suppression of the native Italian language on the island of Malta by Joseph Chamberlain has brought down upon him the censure of the whole European press. In a population of 172,000 only 2,000 are British, yet Chamberlain has decreed that in all official business the English language alone is to be spoken. The newspapers are printed in the native tongue of the island, and there was no necessity whatever for instituting a change other than the wish to see the English tongue and with it English manners paramount. Yet the English have always been sore against the Boers because in their own schools they taught their own language—the Dutch. Why should they teach the hated English tongue to their children? Settlers in a new country can not refuse to use the language of the nation among whom they live. Witness the German, Irish, Italian and French children of our own public schools—even Assyrian—all striving to acquire this same inconsistent form of speech—which it is well known is made up of the odds and ends of all languages, and the most difficult of all to learn—because it is the language of our country. With the cruelty and selfishness peculiar to everything English, they are striving to take from the Boers not only their land, their homes, their lives, but should they succeed eventually they will wipe out of the Transvaal colony the language of the Dutch race. As they made it a penal offense for the Irish to be taught their mother tongue, as they are now doing the Italian people on the island of Malta, so will they do the Boers should they finally down this brave little band. May the God of battles aid the cause of right that we may not see labeled with victory the army that has naught on its side but might.

ANNIE NEVIN CONNINGHAM.

HIBERNIANS.

What They Have Been Doing
the Past Week—General
News Notes.

Division 3 had no bills or claims to pay Wednesday night, while the Relief Committee reported none asked.

The annual reports of the officers of the Daughters of Erin of Providence were the most satisfactory in the history of the division.

The fair of the Hibernian Rifles of Providence has proven quite a success, and the command realized a considerable sum as the result.

There will be a general meeting this evening in the interest of Rev. Father Sheehy's lecture. Every member who can should attend.

James Cushing, of Division 1, was elected a member of the Hibernian Knights Wednesday evening. His admission was properly celebrated.

Division 3 of Providence initiated several candidates and received a number of propositions at its last meeting. Resolutions favoring the Boers met with hearty sympathy.

The first ball of the Ladies' Auxiliary connected with Division 18 of Neponset, Mass., was a great success. The march was led by Mathew Cummings and Miss Mary Dacey.

Division 2 of Minneapolis gave another of its noted socials at the Labor Temple Wednesday evening, which is said to have eclipsed all former efforts in the way of entertainment.

An interesting feature of the meeting of Division 4 of Minneapolis last Tuesday evening was a debate between Edward Heilmann and George Murray. These debates develop much talent.

Division 4 of St. Paul gave a successful literary entertainment in Cretin High School building Monday evening. This division is composed of the best talent in the city and the hall was crowded.

The members and friends of the Ladies' Auxiliary of Division 2 of Minneapolis were delightfully entertained last week at the first of a series of card parties to be given during the winter months.

The division at Belle Plaine, Minn., contributed \$25 to aid the Boer Red Cross fund and adopted resolutions commending the action of Senator Mason, Congressman Sulzer and Cowherd and others in Congress who are not afraid to voice the sentiments of nine-tenths of the people.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of Division 3 of Minneapolis entertained a large gathering of friends at last week's meeting. An excellent musical programme was followed by a luncheon. A pleasant feature was the presentation of a handsome gold watch to Mrs. James Best, President of the auxiliary.

Scraps of Hibernian news have already been sent to the Irish-American, and we are sure that the Irish-American will be able to give its readers a full and complete account of the Hibernian news.

ship to the largest numbers possible. The new division which was recently organized initiated forty members at its first meeting this month, and it is expected that forty more will be admitted tomorrow.

The annual meeting of the Bristol County Board was held in Fall River last week, all the divisions being represented. Resolutions of sympathy with the Boers were drawn up for presentation to the various divisions and a copy addressed to President Kruger. A Boer fund was also opened and Division Presidents appointed to receive whatever subscriptions are made. Steps were also taken in regard to the national parade in Boston next May. The meeting was enthusiastic and harmonious.

In the new quarters of Division 27 of Natick the President, Mrs. Thomas Griffin, in behalf of the Ladies' Auxiliary presented the division with a set of officers' chairs, curtains and carpets, in a graceful speech. President Hall accepted the gifts for the division and spoke of its indebtedness to the ladies, not only for the furnishings then presented, but for assistance in every enterprise in the past and for the many proofs of a kindly interest in the affairs of the division. A concert was then rendered, followed by a dance.

Providence Hibernian Knights boast of the success achieved in their first fair, from which a sum of about \$900 has been realized, enough to pay for uniforms and leave a surplus in the treasury. It is expected that the uniforms will be ready for the St. Patrick's day parade, when the members will turn out in full force and be a factor in the day's success. A complimentary ball will be tendered their friends who assisted at the fair February 9, when the prizes will be distributed to the successful candidates.

At a recent meeting of the Middlesex County Board in East Cambridge, Mass., the national convention to be held in Boston next May was discussed. It was decided that the matter of assessing members not taking part in the big parade be left with the several divisions. The war between the Boers and England was also considered. Though every man present was in favor of immediate action in regard to raising money for a hospital corps, or in any other way that would tend to help the Boers, it was thought inadvisable to take action until a report was had from the national officers, who were then in session at Washington. The County Board voted that each division should do its utmost to further the action of the national officials when word was received from them.

The case of John Muldoon against Division 9 of Providence for sick benefits was tried before Judge Choquet last week. Mr. Muldoon became ill and Dr. McNally, the division doctor, was called. He visited the sick man three times and left medicine. The party with whom Muldoon lived prevailed on the latter to get a new doctor. It was not counter-signed by Dr. McNally. Neither was it approved by the sick committee. A motion was made to have a special committee to investigate the case. The President ruled such a motion out of order and was sustained. Then Muldoon brought the suit. The laws of the order provide that the standing committee shall decide all grievances, and that an appeal shall stand from them to the County Board. It was shown in the trial that the matter was never brought before the committee and that no appeal was taken. The court decided in favor of the division and granted a non-suit on the ground that Muldoon should have exhausted all the remedies within the order before bringing suit.

PURCHASER OF MUCKROSS.

Lord Ardilaun, the purchaser of the Muckross estate, Killarney, states that he had been influenced in the purchase by the fact that his wife's grandfather owned Muckross, and he and Lady Ardilaun were desirous of retaining the estate in the family.

Lord and Lady Ardilaun will not reside at Muckross. His lordship intends, as he has already seats in County Dublin, County Galway and County Clare, to let the house. He has no present intention of curtailing the privileges enjoyed by the public. The tariffs will be rearranged "on a more equitable basis," and some alterations may doubtless be made in the estate. Some new buildings may be erected, but these will not in any way interfere with the sights hitherto open to the public.

Lord Ardilaun, who is fifty-nine years old, is a member of the Guinness family. He sat at one time in the Conservative interest for Dublin, and presented to that city its magnificent little central park, St. Stephen's Green.

FATHER SHERMAN.

The Rev. Father Sherman, son of the late Gen. William T. Sherman, will hold a mission at Corydon next week. A quartet composed of Mrs. Herman Horn, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Stein, and John Goldman, of New Albany, will go to Corydon tomorrow and next Sunday to sing at the service. Frank Zoeller will accompany them as director, and Miss Tillie Hartshorn as organist.

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That the Kentucky Irish American is steadily growing in favor with its readers and usefulness to the public is evidenced by the action of the Central Labor Union at a recent meeting in giving this paper its indorsement, which is the more welcome and appreciated because unsolicited and unexpected. The publisher is grateful, and will endeavor to merit this additional recognition. Our friends will be pleased to learn that the proposition favoring the indorsement was unanimously adopted by the delegates of both bodies. The preamble and resolutions adopted by the Central Labor Union are as follows:

Whereas, Many misstatements have recently appeared in the press of this city relative to the Central Labor Union and organizations represented therein; and Whereas, The Kentucky Irish American has always been a consistent and unbiased champion of the trades union movement; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Central Labor Union indorse said Kentucky Irish American as the official newspaper of this body.

Resolved, That the proceedings of this organization and all affiliated unions be communicated to the public through the columns of the aforesaid paper.

MAHONE PRESENT

National President of Street
Railway Employees Arrived
Thursday.

Will Meet President Minary in
An Effort to Adjust
Grievances.

The Local Union Will Avoid
Hasty Action and Serve
the Public.

WILL MEET AGAIN TUESDAY NIGHT.

National President William Mahone
arrived in the city Thursday in the
interest of the street railway employees, and
the threatened strike has for the time
being been averted.

The reply of the Street Car Company
was presented, and while disappointing
and calculated to incense the men to
hasty action, they displayed good judgment
in their consideration of the im-
portant questions before them, which will
add to the growing sentiment in their
favor.

President William Mahone is one of
the ablest labor leaders in the movement
today. At Thursday night's meeting he
delivered a powerful address to the mem-
bers, as did also President William Jacobs,
after which it was resolved that another
attempt should be made to procure an
amicable adjustment of the grievances of
the motormen and conductors, who want
to do nothing that will inconvenience the
public. With this end in view confer-
ences are being held between the
officers of the company and the
officers of the union, which will be
reported at a meeting to be held Tuesday
night. The reply of the company to the
demands presented is censured by all
classes of citizens, and should trouble
result the responsibility will rest upon
the heads of the railway magnates.
Their refusal to recognize their employees
meets with general condemnation, and
no surprise need be felt if they are here-
after treated to a dose of their own
medicine in other quarters.

The members of the union will act
conservatively throughout the whole
affair, and their conduct thus far is com-
mendable.

NUMBERS OF DELEGATES

Have Been Chosen to State
Federation of Labor
Convention.

Those who are interested in the forma-
tion of a State Federation of Labor feel
greatly encouraged over the outlook and
predict the largest gathering of labor rep-
resentative in the State's history. Over
one hundred trades unions have reported
their action as favoring the formation of
the State body, and all sections will be
fully represented.

The convention will be called to order
Thursday morning, when a temporary
organization will be formed and the cre-
dentials of delegates passed upon. After
the election of permanent officers applica-
tion will be made to the American Fed-
eration of Labor for a charter, which will
be issued at once.

James J. Martin and John Cagrove are
among the number who will attend from
this city. Secretary Young being absent
from the city the complete list was un-
obtainable, but will appear next week.

SHE FIGHTS SWEATSHOPS.

One of the most indefatigable workers
in the cause of the underpaid victims of
the sweatshops is Mrs. Florence Kelly,
the Secretary of the Consumers' League.
Mrs. Kelly understands the difficulties
which beset the factory inspectors in their
efforts to suppress sweating and knows
how to correct their shortcomings, since
she had several years' experience in Illi-
nois as a factory inspector and held the
record for efficiency in the State. She
also knows the tricks of the sweaters in
their efforts to evade the law. Mrs. Kelly
is the daughter of the late Representative
Kelly of Pennsylvania, but she has spent
most of her life in New York. She spent
several years in Chicago, but returned to
New York a year ago to continue the
fight against the sweatshops.

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EUGENE DEBS TONIGHT.

Hon. Joseph O'Neal Will
Present Him to Our
Citizens.

The advent of Eugene V. Debs, the
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leader, in this city occurs at Library Hall
tonight, and will afford many citizens
their first opportunity to see and hear
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EUGENE V. DEBS.

sonal charms. He will be presented by
Hon. Joseph T. O'Neal, who will act as
Chairman, and seated with him on the
stage will be a number of gentlemen
prominent in the local labor movement.
The Central Labor Union has taken an
active interest in this lecture, and Chair-
man James J. Martin and his associates
feel that the audience should be a large
one. The sums realized from these lec-
tures are being used to pay debts
incurred by Mr. Debs in his great battle
for labor.

Eugene Field, the poet, who was Debs' warm friend while the labor leader was undergoing imprisonment, said of him to a newspaper friend:

"Gene Debs is the most lovable man I ever knew. Debs is sincere. His heart is as gentle as a woman's and as fresh as a mountain brook. If Debs were a priest the world would listen to his eloquence, and that gentle, musical voice and sad, sweet smile of his would soften the hardest heart."

THEATRICALS.

"The Three Musketeers" will be the attraction at the Avenue Theater next week. Harry Glazier, a young actor, will appear as the hot-blooded Gascon, the hero, and the production is claimed to equal those heretofore seen in both correctness of scenery and costuming.

Col. Meffert has arranged another great treat for the patrons of the Temple Theater next week, when will be presented Jules Verne's greatest production, "Michael Strogoff." The Temple Stock Company will produce this great spectacular and sensational play with a wealth of scenic display, electric effects, realistic battle scenes, magnificent costumes, largely augmented cast and a host of superlatives that promises to meet all the requirements, and will perhaps surpass those heretofore witnessed at the high-priced theaters. James Brophy will assume the role of Michael Strogoff, and Robert McWade will perform the duties of the American newspaper correspondent. Miss Jessamine Rodgers will be seen as Nadia and Miss Moore as the gypsy. This should be one of the Temple's big weeks, as there will be no advance in prices. Those desiring to witness this sensational play should secure their seats immediately.

Irwin's Burlesquers, an organization which leaves it for the patrons of the Buckingham to decide whether it is an extravaganza or burlesque company, will make its appearance here on Sunday matinee for one week. The specialties, and there are many of them, will be found up to the times and pleasing. "A Hot Wave," a musical burlesque in one scene, is the closing feature of the entertainment. The chorus contains twenty young and pretty maidens who are the happy possessors of good voices, and all can dance. The scenery is entirely new, with grand electrical effects. The costumes are rich and are patterned after foreign styles and the changes made are remarkably quick. The olio includes the five Harrison sisters, artists well known; Mlle. Marie, in artistic and classic poses with electrical effects; Thompson and Carter. Carver and Pollard, Bailey and Madison, the Irish comedy and grotesque acrobats; Keenan and Reil, W. C. Fields and Raymond and Bernard.

Invitations are being issued to a select hop and social to take place at Norton's Hall on Tuesday evening, February 20, under the auspices of Mike O'Hearn and a number of young gentlemen prominent in social circles. This is the second of the series, and like its predecessor, promises to be most enjoyable. During the evening there will be a prize waltz and a conical cake walk.

NUMBERS OF PERMITS.

Bright Outlook for the Build-
ing Trades the Coming
Season.

Permits for the erection of new build-
ings have been taken out thus early this
year in large numbers, the aggregate al-
ready amounting to over \$300,000. This
is very encouraging to the building
trades.

Charles Deitz, Business Agent for the
United Brotherhood of Carpenters and
Joiners, reports work as fairly good at
present, but the prospects for union men
are very bright for the summer, and those
holding union cards will receive steady
employment.

Carpenter's Union 103 initiated seven
members and received quite a large num-
ber of applications Monday evening.
Union 214 is also increasing in mem-
bership. The former also elected delegates
to the Central Labor Union. Meetings
are held weekly at Beck's Hall.

ROVING GYPSY.

The Celt Sacrificed for the
Good of the Whole
World.

Rev. Mr. Stopford Brooke, the newly
elected President of the Irish Literary
Society of London, read an eloquent
paper on "The Celt" at an open meeting
of the society recently. The Celt was
the rover, the gypsy of the world, he said.
This detachment from home had its great
disadvantages for him and it partly dis-
abled him from becoming a nation. But
it had its great advantages for the
world. Man was the better of it. It
quickened the movement and life of man-
kind, and thus again the Celt had been
sacrificed for the good of the whole, not of
his own will, but influenced by a higher
will than his. It was true that the Celts
loved their country dearly, but their love
was more ideal than actual, more a poetic
passion than a prose reality. They
cherished it, wrote poems on it, wept
over the thought of their land, but they
did not come back to it often.

The advent of Christianity had enor-
mously strengthened the Celts' love of
home and country, and they had also
been immensely developed by the op-
pression of England. Men loved that
for which they had endured pain and
woes and for which they had been op-
pressed. They loved a land which had
been persecuted, tortured and trodden
down, but which had never been subdued
or lost its courage to live on. That men
were forced to live apart from their coun-
try inflamed their love, and the long
longing of the exiles from Ireland since
St. Columba to the present day bore wit-
ness of its intensity. For all that, how-
ever, he doubted if the love of country
was as strong in the Irishman as in the
Englishman. It was more poetic, more
passionate in expression. The English-
man returned to his land after long years,
but the Irishman and the Highlander
who had enriched themselves, whose
money well spent might do so much to
help and develop Ireland or the Western
Isles, were conspicuous by their absence.

Under every sun, in every land, and
especially in English-speaking lands, this
deep ideal passion lived and grew in the
multitudes of the scattered Irish people.
Millions whose fathers came out of Ire-
land cherished it. It was a mighty power
—a power which some day would pass
out of the ideal into the real, out of pas-
sion into act, and in time to come, of
which they watched the dawning, Ireland
would be able, under better laws, to de-
velop her children. This great passion
would have more wide-reaching effect in
history than we could yet imagine. Great
political changes were hidden in it. He
saw Ireland when the Celt came home,
having learned the lessons of exile, a
happy home, a united people and a race
that had realized its nationality.

However, there was another and an in-
teresting side to this question. The per-
son whom the Celt most damaged by his
individuality was himself, but he had not
damaged the world or mankind by it. It
had been of the greatest use possible to
the progress of the world.

SELECT HOP AND SOCIAL.

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